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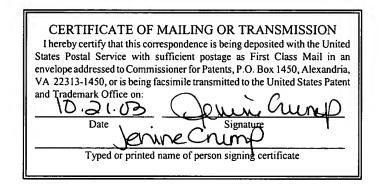
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For: Process for Large-Scale Isolation and Purification of Hypothalamic Inhibitory Factor





AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed from the U.S.

Patent and Trademark Office on April 23, 2003 in the above-identified application.

Reconsideration and further examination are requested.

An extension of time to respond to the Office Action is respectfully requested. A Petition for Extension of Time and the appropriate fee are being filed concurrently with this Amendment.

Please amend the application as follows: